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SUBJ: ISRAEL AND GSP

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1. KIRIYATI, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, TOLD EMBOFF SEPT 26 THAT ISRAEL'S EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON REPORTS ALL ISSUES IN GSP CONSULTATIONS RESOLVED EXCEPT MANUFACTURED TOBACCO. IN EFFORT TO SETTLE TOBACCO QUESTION, GOI HAS INDICATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT LATEST USDA LANGUAGE FOR PROPOSED SEPARATE LETTER WHICH READS QUOTE GOI AGREES TO CONSIDER FAVORABLY THE INCLUSION OF MANUFACTURED TOBACCO

BEFORE JULY 1, 1977

ON THE PRODUCT LIST ACCOMPANYING ITS

NOTE UNQUOTE, PROVIDED FOLLOWING IS ADDED: QUOTE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT RELATED FISCAL PROBLEMS WHICH ISRAEL MAY ENCOUNTER BY ACCEDING TO THE US REQUEST UNQUOTE.

2. KIRIYATI EXPLAINED THAT GOI WANTS TO ADD ABOVE PROVISIO BECAUSE ISRAEL'S CUSTOMS DUTY ON MANUFACTURED TOBACCO INCLUDES BOTH QUOTE PROTECTIVE AND FISCAL ELEMENTS UNQUOTE. GOI WILLING TO ELIMINATE PROTECTIVE ELEMENT FOR US AS

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IT HAD AGREED TO DO FOR EC. FISCAL ELEMENT WAS IN EFFECT SAME

AS EXCISE TAX APPLIED TO LOCALLY MANUFACTURED TOBACCO. KIRIYATI
SAID GOI WILL CHANGE SCHEDULE OF CUSTOMS DUEITES IN ORDER TO
SEPARATE OUT FISCAL FACTOR AND TO APPLY IT AS PURCHASE TAX. GOI
INTENDS TO DO THIS BEFORE JULY 1,1977 IN ANY EVENT TO MEET
EC DEADLINE.

3. KIRIYATI SAID MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY BAR LEV
SCHEDULED MEET WITH SECRETARY OF COMMERCE MORTON SEPT 30 AND
SECRETARY OF TREASURY SIMON OCT 1, BAR LEV WILL RAISE GSP ISSUE
IF IT IS NOT RESOLVED BEFOREHAND.
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